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WORKPIECES FROM A MATERIAL

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted responsive to the Official Action mailed June 30, 2004 and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 30, 2004, said period having been extended in accordance with the accompanying request for extension of time so as to expire on November 30, 2004.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the drawings are attached hereto in the form of two replacement sheets of drawings, one labeling the original figure as Figure 1, and the other adding Figure 2.

Amendments to the specification begin at page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 6 of this paper.